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## CONFERENCE TALKS OVER NEW TRENDS

'Education In A New Era' Is the Theme of First District Meet

A Teacher's Conference and Association Meeting of the First Supervisory District of Allegany County was held at Houghton College on Monday, February 15. The central theme of the conference was "Education in a New Era". After the opening of the conference at 8:45 a.m. by Mr. F. L. Tuthill, District Superintendent, the Vice President of the college, Professor H. Leroy Fancher gave a welcome to the teachers.

As a special feature of the morning session, the Department of Music of the college furnished some instrumental and vocal numbers. Richard Chamberlain showed excellent technique in his rendition of Brahms' *Rhapsody*. Walter Ferchen's piano solo, *Juba Dance*, was played with his customary ease. James Buffar gave a charming clarinet number "Berceuse", from *Jocelyn* by Godart and the concluding musical selection was a solo, *The Wreck of the Julie Plant*, in which the audience particularly enjoyed the depth of expression of the soloist, Harold Skinner.

Miss Marion Giles gave an interesting report of the autumn conference of the House of Delegates in Syracuse and Principal Andrew F. Haynes of Fillmore reported very ably on the New York State Principal's Meeting. There followed a business session at which Mr. G. R. Davis, President of the Teachers' Association of the First Supervisory District, presided.

For the last hour and a half of the morning session, the conference met in groups. Superintendent Tuthill addressed the elementary teachers on improving the social studies program. The music teachers met in a round table conference with Mr. Richard Hale, Houghton alumnus and music teacher in the district presiding.

Mrs. P. S. Bowen, principal of the Houghton Seminary, was chairman of the academic group, which engaged itself first in a round table discussion on pupil guidance. To this forum, Miss Ruth Luckey, a visiting speaker at the conference, contributed.

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## ANNUITY GRANT REFINANCE NOTES

A draft for an eighteen thousand dollar annuity has just been received by the college authorities.

The annuity is made out to Mr. Willis R. Choate, of Syracuse, N. Y., and was secured through his daughter, Miss Elizabeth Choate. Miss Choate is a member of Willett Memorial Wesleyan Methodist Church in Syracuse, and has for several years been interested in Houghton College.

Due to the rate of interest which the annuity bears, the college will be able to refinance some of its notes to advantage. The fact that this is a joint annuity is materially responsible for the interest rate.

## Teacher Placement Agency Established To Aid Job-hunters

On Feb. 10 the faculty voted a Bureau of appointments to be established at Houghton College. This bureau is under the immediate charge of a Secretary of Appointments who is responsible to the Appointment Committee. This committee has as its chairman Miss Bess Fancher, who is also the chairman of the Department of Education. Mrs. Wilfred Bain is acting as Secretary of appointments at present.

The idea of a teacher placement bureau has been in the minds of several of the faculty for many years. Three years ago Dr. Paine sent out a tentative questionnaire to find out what schools had successful teacher placement systems. About the first of the year another questionnaire was sent to practically all the colleges in New York State who had an active Teacher placement bureau, as well as to the leading university meeting with teacher placement success. Among the latter were: Columbia Teachers College, Cornell University of Chicago, University of Illinois University of Nebraska, Wheaton Ohio State and New York University. The schools answered the questionnaire and sent samples of the blanks used. Studies of the National Institutional Teacher Placement Association aided research. It is mainly through the efforts of Dr. Paine

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## HARP LOSS NO AID TO VIOLINISTS

Program Presentation Shows The Resourcefulness of Concert Artists

According to the Music Faculty, the Misses Virginia and Mary Drane duo violinists, accompanied by Miss Lois Bannerman, harpist, who presented a concert in the college chapel Wednesday evening, February 17, will return for another concert this year.

Miss Bannerman's harp did not arrive from New York City in time for last Wednesday's concert and the trio was delayed for over an hour while a harp belonging to Miss Day of Little Genesee was brought for the performance. This instrument, which was smaller and differently constructed from the one she generally uses, greatly hindered the young artist from exhibiting her usual outstanding work. Another reason which made the appearance even more difficult was the fact that Miss Bannerman has been with the Drane sisters for only two weeks, as the regular harpist is now recuperating from a nervous breakdown. Consequently she was still rather unfamiliar with the music.

During the first part of the pro-

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## Applied Physics Course Now For All Students

Recent changes in the curriculum confirmed by faculty vote, include two in the science department. The course in applied physics, which has been for music students only, now is open to liberal arts students as an elective. Physiography may be applied toward the major requirement in science.

Another change makes it possible for the music requirements to be met by two years in either choir, the Little Symphony Orchestra, or two years of private voice training.

Ever since the course in applied physics was offered to music students only, there have been others, not music majors, who wanted to enroll in the course. Professor Pryor accounts for this by saying that it is the time element which makes the course attractive to many. It gives three hours of credit without laboratory.

## Varsity To Debate LeMoyné College in Initial Encounter On Wage and Hour Question

### It's Like This--

By ARTHUR LYNIP

The unfortunate experience of our recent Lecture Course number may serve to call our attention to that phase of our activities.

Our Artist's Series has been increasing in quality. Should we take stock, we could point with pride to such evidences of this as Rosa Tentoni, Muriel Kerr, Sascha Gorodnitzki, and Roman Totenberg. These are among recent celebrities.

Then too, when one considers the work involved in obtaining and arranging for these people, an expression of appreciation to responsible parties is apropos.

Again, at no time has there been inferior talent or anything that would call for serious adverse criticism.

The artistry of the Drane sisters and Lois Bannerman is in no way in question. Their reputation and management verifies our confidence in them. On the other hand, that they even gave the concert when the delivery of the harp failed, lifts them far above reproach.

We sympathized with them during the nerve-racking wait and at the final disappointment. We shall look forward to their promised return.

HC

## 'Time Flitters By' In Boulder Chapel To Promote Sales

"We feel adequately capable of advertising the world's best chewing-gum, but when it comes to relating the news of the day we feel that only Time can accomplish that. We are glad to present to you the current news of the day dramatized as only the actor's of Time can dramatize it "Time... marches on."

Thus, in chapel on Wednesday morning, February 17, the Boulder scenes depicting the sale of the book.

"Art" Lynip, at the microphone, described each action vividly, the audience with the aid of the television apparatus of station ROCK, saw the action as well.

The first scene was laid in the office of the Boulder. The staff is in session. Howard Andrus begins a sales talk. Kahler finishes it in many words, saying that the 1937 Boulder will be a brand new book, with a great many more familiar and unfamiliar snap-shots than ever before, at the same old price.

Time flitters by, as the stage is reset to appear as a gift shop. We find Doris Bain as a sales-lady and Wilbur Dayton as the customer. Wilbur is trying to select a gift for his lady friend. His search is at an end when Doris shows him a new 1937 Boulder.

Time again gyrates across the stage in the person of Junior McKinney and we come to the last skit of the day. The first publication of the new

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## Visiting Team Traveling On Tour Through Eastern States

What will be perhaps the most contested event of Houghton's 1937 Debate season will take place in Houghton College Chapel next Monday evening, February 22, between the well coached team of LeMoyné College of Memphis, Tennessee and our own men's varsity.

The thought provoking resolution to be arbitrated is the national Pi Kappa Delta's proposition: "Resolved: that Congress be empowered to fix minimum wages and maximum hours for industry."

LeMoyné's debaters are being coached and advised in their forensic drive by the very capable Professor Boris G. Alexander, head of the Government and Economics departments at LeMoyné. Professor Alexander, a Russian by birth, obtained his earlier education in his native country. In 1917 he went to Eng-

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## 'The Press' Theme Of Forensic Union At Monthly Meet

Monday evening, February 15, the Forensic Union held its first meeting of the new semester, presenting as its subject "The Press."

After a book report by Walter Schogoleff, Richard Chamberlain sang about a "Man and a Dog" Following this, Doris Lee gave an extemporé entitled "The Press, Moulder of the Nation's Thought." After a Miss Lee divided the use of the paper into advertising, news and religious columns.

Curtis Crandall gave a brisk, inclusive review of basketball, chief athletic activity of the college. Everett Elliott presented the recent affairs in the foreign situation. Included in the recent report were the English and Italian pact concerning the Mediterranean Sea and Spain.

Again Richard Chamberlain sang, "You Think It Was Wrong."

Next came the impromptu—most amusing to the audience and disconcerting to the three participants. Vance Carlson spoke on, "The profundities of the Comic-strip," Lois Roughan reported on the "Comparative merits of Walter Winchell and Dorothy Dix," and Clemence Eddy on, "Why I prefer the home-maker's Column."

Taking the place of Forensic Humor was a short skit presenting a summary of the General Motors sit-down strike. John Lewis was portrayed by Wesley Thomas; Governor Frank Murphy by Wesley Churchill; William Knudsen, representative by Henry Randall. As an appropriate finish, Edward Willert, critic, summed up the evening's activities in true newspaper style.

## Final of Last Week-night Revival Services Are Recalled

### LIFE

On Friday morning, February 12 Rev. Tokely brought his daily message on the subject: "Life".

First of all he gave the divine definition of life as given in John 5:25. He then explained the divine declaration which revealed four witnesses: the preacher's witness, the practical and the printed witness. Next he showed the divine disappointment. Christ is disappointed when men do not come unto Him.

In closing Rev. Tokely said, "If you do not receive the life Christ offers, the alternative is eternal death."

### RESISTING

"Ye do always resist the Holy Ghost," was the Rev. Mr. Tokely's

text Friday evening, February 12.

"The Holy Spirit," he said, "convinces the world of sin and constantly struggles against all unrighteousness. He shows the seriousness of our sin and tears away the cloak that we have dressed it in. When he has left us without excuse, he tries to bring us to the place where we will forsake our sin and accept God's plan of salvation. He then deals with the Christian by revealing sin in his heart and showing God's provision for complete cleansing. The instrument used by the Holy Spirit in all of these functions is the Word of God. We cannot refuse to walk in the light of that Book without being guilty of resisting the Holy Ghost."

### RIGHTEOUSNESS

On Saturday evening, February 13

the Scripture, "Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness, for they shall be filled," formed the text.

He said, "Righteousness is both external and internal; it is full conformity to the will of God. The text shows three facts that are necessary to our being filled. There is the craving of the soul, the covenant for satisfaction and the condition of seeking. It is characteristic of Life to crave that which satisfies. Likewise, it is characteristic of the Christian to want the best possible experience that God has for him this side of heaven. We have God's covenant that we can be satisfied, provided that we crave His righteousness and appropriate it by faith and obedience to His revealed will."



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## Editorial

### A NEW DEAL FOR EDITORS

After a careful survey of what is being done in other colleges and universities, and having had experience in both fields, we have come to the conclusion that the Editor of the *Star*, the Editor of the *Boulder*, and the Business Manager of the *Boulder* should receive compensation for their work—say, third-board. Other editors on the *Star*, holding responsible positions requiring technical training and ability in English, should receive one hour of credit a semester from the department of English.

The *Boulder* represents an investment of well over a thousand dollars. Is it fair to ask the business manager and editor of this college representative to assume responsibility with no recompense? Their respective jobs require that they spend almost all of their extra-curricular time on them. The editor is busy editing, writing, and making arrangements for the publication of his book. The business manager spends his time in canvassing the surrounding towns for advertising contracts. In most cases the editor is called upon to accompany him. From the standpoint of the time spent and the responsibility assumed, it seems that it is only fair to pay them for their trouble.

Few people realize the vast amount of work that there is in putting out an issue of the *Star*. To them it is a simple job, requiring almost no time and certainly no qualifications of training. Actually, the situation is different. Publishing the *Star* entails a vast amount of work and certain technical and mechanical qualifications for a position on the staff. It is the job of the editor to supervise the publication from the assigning of the news to the printing of the paper. In his spare time he is called upon to explain the stories appearing in the paper, or to receive complaints from subscribers. The other editors on the staff are required to be proficient in English, to have specialized training and mechanical adeptness. The amount of time that each editor spends on his job in one week averages more than twenty hours. Surely such effort is worthy of credit.

That credit in English can be given for such work has been proven by Allegheny College, which allows work on publications to be applied on English work. Certainly, if participation in choir can be applied for music credit, ought not participation in active journalism be applied on English?

Third-board is given for hall-sweeping and room dusting. This work is necessary, for a well-kept school does much to enhance a visitor's opinion of the institution. Both the *Star* and the *Boulder* are widely circulated and from them impressions of the school are formed that in most cases are the only impressions of Houghton an outsider gets. It is important, therefore, that these publications reflect the best of workmanship and enterprise. At present on the voluntary basis, the editors are doing the best they can, neglecting their school work and their outside work. that the *Star* may be published. Is it not fair that they should be recompensed? W. M.

## KAMPA...



## ...SNOOZE

### HOKUM WEAKLY EFFORT

Weather: High pressure area in lower hall near Book Store.

Market Report: Keep your eye on Alton Cronk Amalgamated Baton for sharp upswing.

### BRINDISI RESCUES MAIDEN

From the *Association Press* comes the story of a spectacular rescue of Miss Hazel Fox from the brutal onslaught of a villainous mouse. Mr. Patsy Brindisi, who has helping some of the staff in the *Star* office, was aroused by the screams of terror from said Miss Fox, which issued from the office of Dr. Harold Boon. Leaving his workmates, he rushed to her aid, seemingly without having taken thought for his own life. "He's in there," gasped the helpless victim as she pointed toward the waste basket in the corner. Without a tremor of his mighty bulk, Brindisi thrust his hand into the basket, and with the ease of one picking up a baby (only much more tenderly) he brought forth the offender by the tail.

American justice, swift and sure, was meted out upon the transgressor by Judge Stanley Wright who sentenced him to die an unnatural death. This first offender was identified, by the dirt on his whiskers, as Oscar, the office mouse. No contact with relatives was obtained before the execution. Death came swiftly in the chem lab as he inhaled fumes of chloroform although he continued to maintain his innocence until the end.

We are happy to state that Miss Fox, thanks to Mr. Brindisi, suffered only from shock, and to all indications she will be able to resume her duties within a few days.

### LOST AND FOUND

Lost: in the Hoodlebug—one harp belonging to young girl with blue eyes and a lovely, lovely personality. If found, the best thing that will ever happen to you, if male, is for you to keep it until the owner identifies it in person.—*Voice of Experience*

Lost: approximately 200 masculine hearts somewhere in chapel during the concert Wednesday evening. Since that time the boys have been practically speechless so that little information concerning the wholesale disappearance can be gained from them. It has been conjectured, however, that a certain female beauty with arve for hearts has snatched them leaving with two other girls en route to Rochester in an automobile driven by Arthur Lynip. Any clues as to their whereabouts will be greatly appreciated.—*Campus Fems*

### SPORT SHOTS

The highlight of the week was the defeat of the Wee Five, high school hoop-hurlers last Saturday afternoon by the Russell-ites, rising rural regiment. The hoopers whooped it up throughout the fray and showed marked ability in missing the target. The victors barely nosed out the midsets with a meager 9 points to bring the game to a spectacular climatic finish. Elliott and Densmore successfully repelled the powerful attacks of Fancher, holding him scoreless, while "John" Schlafer did his part by suppressing microscopic McKinney, meteoric mystic marvel. Hilgeman, however, deserves much credit for his brilliant exhibition of sportsmanship. During the whole encounter, "Bill" declined to show partiality to either team. Dashing from one end

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## PERSONNEL OF THE SENIORS

### Helen Paul Paine

Helen Paul (now wife of Dr. Stephen W. Paine) was born in Champaign, Illinois, on September 15, 1914. She completed both her grade school and high school work in the city of Champaign, and later attended the University of Illinois for two years. However, before entering the University, Mrs. Paine worked for a year as an assistant cashier in one of the Woolworth stores.

Because of working at home much of the time, Mrs. Paine has had little time for extra-curricular activities either in her high school or in college work. She came to Houghton in 1934 to take full course. But in the next school year she carried only six hours of work during the last semester. This year, as a senior, Mrs. Paine says of Houghton: "I have enjoyed my work in Houghton very much, and have found many real friends."

### Walter Schogoleff

It was in New York City in 1916 that the birth of one of our foremost seniors was announced. Walter Schogoleff ("Teddybear" to many) spent his primary school days in the city, and later moved to Batavia where he graduated from high school in 1932. In high school his most outstanding contribution was as a member of the glee club. After a year of post graduate work he entered Houghton to become a member of the class of '37.

In his freshman year Walter was a member of the Chorus and Pre-Medic Club, but has centered his club activities more completely in the Forensic Union.

Sports? To the n'th degree. His outstanding ability in this field is proven by his position of president of the Athletic Association. In his junior year Walter received the high rating of being the best all-round athlete in Houghton. He has participated in Purple-Gold competition all four years of his college life, and has captured the purple teams for two years with considerable success. In class competition he made a formidable foe out of the '37 teams for three years. Tennis, baseball, and track all find this three letter man in the top rank. In addition he has captained

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## Three Birthday Dinners In Gaoyadeo Dining Hall

A birthday party was given for Daniel Fox last Tuesday evening in the dormitory dining hall. Rev. Harvey Jennings, pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Frenchtown, N. J., where Dan lives, was present. Other guests were Walter Ferchen, "Pete" Halsted, James Bence, Wilfred Duncan, Elton Kahler, Frank Taylor, Gordon Curty, Pat Brindisi, Henry Ortlip and Edward Willett.

A surprise party was held for Miss Thelma Briggs at the dining hall last Tuesday evening. Just before dinner Thelma had dropped three eggs on her skirt, and much to the merriment of the guests, when she came to the table, traces of egg yolk still existed. Imagine, too, Thelma's surprise and agitation when she cut the huge three layer chocolate cake, and had only twelve pieces for sixteen guests.

The party was arranged for by Norva Bassage, Thelma's room-mate. The guests were Esther Fox, Hilda Giles, Marjorie Updyke, Almeda Culbertson, Betty Hammond, Ruth Walton, Lucille Scott, Bernice DeGroff, Margaret Watson, Josephine Hadley, Lois Roughan, Rowena Peterson, Zilpha Gates, Ellen Donley and Norva Bassage.

## Houghton Students Will Attend Church Missionary Meeting

Rev. and Mrs. Price Stark, who are to sail for Sierra Leone, West Africa, will speak at the Lockport Conference Missionary convention, to be held in Levant, N.Y. from February 26-28. Other speakers of particular interest will be Rev. E. F. McCarty, who will give an illustrated lecture. Mrs. Mary Lane Clark, Rev. Morris Gibbs, and Miss Ione Driscoll.

On Sunday afternoon Houghton students will have charge of the program. Each of four volunteers will discuss the fields to which they feel called, something of the call, and something of the preparation for missionary work. Cecil Elliott and Henry Ortlip will speak on China, Eulali Purdy and Charles Foster on Africa, and Doris Smith on mountain work in this country.

A Houghton quartet will furnish the music.

The first meeting will be held on Friday evening at 7:30 and the last one on Sunday evening. At these missionary conventions Houghton has always been well represented, and it is expected that this will be true this year, even though it is to be a February rather than a May meeting.

The convention theme is: "Forward with Christ in Africa, India and Japan." Rev. Price Stark is the convention director.

Those who wish to attend or those who expect to drive their cars to the convention should notify Mr. Bence at once in order that he may notify the Rev. Mr. Elliott, pastor of the Levant charge.

## New Sabbath School Board Begins Duties

Nominations for Sunday School officers for 1937 have been completed and were approved at the last quarterly business meeting of the local church.

The office of superintendent has been left vacant for the present, with Prof. Stanley Wright acting in this capacity until June. It is hoped that a permanent adjustment can be made in September.

Superintendent (vacant)  
Ass't Superintendent (acting) Stanley W. Wright  
Second Ass't Supt. Howard Eyer  
Sec. and Treas. Margaret Wright  
Ass't Secretary Marvin Eyer  
Pianist Martha Neighbor  
Ass't. Pianist Lora Foster  
Song Leader Gwendolyn Blauvelt  
Ass't. Song Leader William Foster  
Primary Supt. Mrs. Zola Fancher  
Home Department Supt. Mrs. Perry Tucker

Cradle Roll Supt. Elizabeth Eyer  
Missionary Sec'y Everett Elliott  
Temperance Sec'y Bruce Densmore

## W.H. & F.M. Society Shown Pictures on Russia

Pictures on Russia, showing starvation, massacres, and persecution of Christians since the Revolution were presented at the church Wednesday evening. Mrs. Harold McKinney gave the lantern lecture.

The pictures illustrated statement made in the book, "In the Flame of Russia's Revolution" by Saloff-Astakhoff, which was reviewed by Mrs. P. E. Woolsey.

Mrs. C. A. Ries reviewed the last chapters of *The Niger Vision*, by Roseberry, and Mrs. S. W. Wright gave a brief report on the progress of the Tullars in Nigeria.

The society voted a money gift for Rev. and Mrs. Price Stark, who expect to sail for Africa on March 19.

## ALUMNI CORNER

The following sonnets were written to commemorate the tenth anniversary of the founding of Long Island University. Prof. R. W. Hazlett, the author, was head of the English department here from 1923-26. He confesses that part of the inspiration for the trilogy comes from Ho'ton.

## TE MATREM—A Sonnet Trilogy

## I

## Cum Laude

No ivied walls inscribed with legends hoar,  
Or iv'ry towers piercing cloistered shade,  
Where never bloom Elysian flow'rs—nor fade—  
Sad Youth too old, chained souls who dream they soar;  
But in the market-place, next shop and store,  
Where Vice, and Virtue still more drab, parade,  
And shoddy wears both motley and brocade—  
Yet here no bars—only a half-shut door.  
Small need to knock, the choice to enter ours.  
We test no Oracles, no Muse invoke—  
Appease no Lower, court no Higher Powers;  
Perform the day's work well—and sometimes ill;  
Accept the bounty while we curse the yoke,  
Oft knowing not we serve the Highest Will.

## II

## Magna Cum Laude

From Labor Knowledge springs re-incarnate;  
The call to service clear as human need,  
High privilege free to every race and creed;  
One great command: to fashion mould, create;  
Two crimes: to still the heart, new light abate.  
The harvest Truth, our task to plant the seed,  
Then winnow chaff—though scant may be our need—  
Hard rocks form soil for those of Faith who wait.  
Thus friendly Conscience is our citadel;  
Plain Courage, humble Counsel—this our role;  
Not selfless, though from Self we may rebel;  
So struggling blindly toward a distant goal,  
But face we Heaven, still with feet in hell,  
Give thee a name, ourselves achieve a soul.

## III

## Summa Cum Laude

In decades sages measure not mere time,  
Nor yet in dollars rich men count their wealth;  
More potent than stern laws or epic rhyme  
Is inward peace and poise and mental health.  
We come through pain and travail Good to know,  
And, knowing, feel—but why like children play?  
Cure Evil in an æon—far too slow!  
And try to crack the atom in a day?  
Thy mission then to guide and humanize;  
Learn less the secrets of the dead than give  
Of Self; so shame the follies of the wise,  
We yet teach this mad world to think and live.  
Minervan keeper of the sacred spark  
We hail thee now proud, full-orbed matriarch!

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## News Flashes

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Leland Chamberlain of Black Creek a son Allen, on Feb. 15. Mrs. Chamberlain was Ruth Warburton ('27).

Willett Albro ('30) was granted his M. A. degree by Cornell University this February. He teaches at Chautauqua, N. Y.

Harriett Sartwell ('36) was in town a few days recently. She is applying for a position in Western New York.

Rev. and Mrs. Dean Bedford of Rochester were in town last week. Mrs. Bedford remained several days.

Another of the Houghton grads has taken the fatal step, and this time it is none other than Lovedy Sheffer who was married to the Rev. Mr. Marshall McCleery on Dec. 12, 1936. The ceremony was performed by the groom's father at the Youngsville Free Methodist Church which was well filled.

Miss Rachel Davison attended the bride as maid of honor while Miss Prudence Sheffer and Miss Naomi McCleery served as maids. Following the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents where guests had gathered.

Mr. and Mrs. McCleery are now living at Lewis Run, Pa. where Mr. McCleery is pastor of the Free Methodist Church.

## PERSONNEL

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the varsity squad during his senior year.

After graduation Walter hopes to obtain a position where he can teach math or science, and coach athletics.

When asked what he thought of Houghton, "Walt" says, "Sure I like Houghton! Who ever said I didn't!"

## Ransom Richardson

Fillmore is the illustrious village where Ransom Richardson was born on June 21, 1914. His family moved to Rochester about the time that young Ransom began to learn his A. B. C's. During his high school years Ransom participated in athletics and fraternity life. He was graduated from the Rochester High School in 1932.

As a freshman, he was the winner of the first prize in the poetry contest. The German Club has counted him one of its most active members throughout his years here. Uncertainty as to whether he would continue his studies here have somewhat hindered his taking part in extra-curricular activities.

"Ran" revealed several of his hobbies: playing chess, writing, and library work. His favorite radio program is the Sunday afternoon broadcast of the New York Philharmonic; favorite magazines are: *Time*, *Fortune*, and the *Reader's Digest*; favorite subjects: Philosophy under Prof. F. H. Wright and Foundations of Methods under Prof. B. M. Fancher. He has chosen English as his major. One of his pet aversions is unnecessary display of talent.

After his graduation from Houghton, "Ran" intends to take graduate work in the field of library science and eventually to find his profession in that work.

"College has given me several important contributions," he declares. "I have won many friends here, have obtained a good background for the future, and have received a broad outlook on life. I sincerely appreciate what Houghton is accomplishing in providing a college education for many who would otherwise be unable to obtain one."

## HOUGHTON COLLEGE PRESS COMPLIMENTED

Several weeks ago, the Houghton College Press completed for the Luckey Memorial Building Fund a brochure entitled "In Appreciation of Dr. James S. Luckey." Soon after completing and mailing the publication, the college received the following letter from the company whose paper was used in the booklet:

"Gentlemen: We wish to compliment you on the brochure entitled 'In Appreciation of Dr. James S. Luckey.' This is an unusual and attractive printing specimen."

Yours truly,

The Alling & Cory Company  
Fred Duchschere  
Adv. and Serv. Dept.

The Alling & Cory Company, one of the largest wholesale paper companies in the East, requested ten copies for use as printed samples.

## Building Enterprise To Improve Campus

As we have seen in the past, the community of Houghton is taking strides in building itself up, and in using to better advantage the vacant property surrounding the school.

One new home is to be erected this summer adjacent to the present Seese house. Land is being purchased, and plans are being laid for the construction of several more homes before many years. Although the school authorities have bought up much of the land, on and in front of the campus, the new homes will be near enough to provide possible rooming places for the rapidly growing student body.

The beautifully located property bordering on the Houghton Creek in back of the campus is being laid out with the expectations of constructing new homes. A new road to be built within the year will connect the site with the present Seminary Hill Road and will present fine opportunities for settlement.

The recently purchased property lying between the campus proper and the state road has already undergone minor improvements, and plans are in progress for the beautifying of this tract through the co-operation of a landscape engineer.

To these improvements will be added the erection of the new Luckey Memorial Administration Building, and the possible construction of a men's dormitory on the tract of land next to the campground overlooking the campus.

## PLACEMENT BUREAU

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that this very thorough investigation has been carried on.

The former method of application that of every man for himself, has been severely criticized by principals as well as by the graduates themselves. The students oftentimes would go to a school whether a vacancy occurred or not. If there happened to be one, several students applied for it. Much time was wasted besides inconveniences to a principal or school. Under the new teacher placement system, applications will be sent from the office with recommendations of the teachers accompanying. Copies of these will be filed and kept in the office. Thus, when a graduate who has been out a length of time asks for a recommendation, it can easily be obtained.

Mrs. Clyde Thornton of Pelham, Mass. spent several days recently with her daughter, Mrs. Marv Pryor. She returned to Massachusetts on Friday.

## RELIGIOUS WEEK

## Our Sunday Services

## Kadesh

The Rev. Mr. Tokely spoke Sunday morning, February 14, from the experience of Israel at Kadesh-Barnea as they shed light on our Christian experiences.

"The name, Kadesh," he said "suggests cleansing and consecration. God's purpose for his people is that they should serve him in holiness all the days of their lives. The consecration for this service cannot be perfect until the heart is made perfect in love. Thus we lay at God's feet the blessing for his use instead of keeping it for our own selfish ends."

"Kadesh was also a place of crossing. It was the gateway to Canaan—not the goal for which they had long been seeking. The thing that cause so much backsliding is that many people make sanctification their goal and find that they cannot remain in active without losing ground."

"Finally, it is a place of crisis. A the children of Israel had to proceed into Canaan or go back from Kadesh so every soul that faces the clear light of God for holiness must obey or go back."

## Discipleship

Frederick Schlafer spoke in the young people's service Sunday evening, February 14, on the subject of Christian discipleship.

Speaking from Christ's words, "If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me," he said, "All sin harks back to selfishness. In place of self-seeking, the Christian should turn to Christ-seeking and daily take up his cross. Bible-reading and prayer, with their resultant growth, are the source of strength for this life of unselfish following of God."

"There are various types of followers, but the only commendable type is the one that forsakes all to follow, as Levi did. Christ gave examples of the impulsive, procrastinating and irresolute types, but He said that they were not worthy of Him."

## They Went Out

The Scripture, 'And when they had sung an hymn, they went out,' was the Rev. Mr. Tokely's text Sunday evening, February 14, in the closing service of the series of meetings.

He said, "The Last Supper with Christ was a time of blessing for the disciples because Christ was with them and ministered to them. However, the important thing was the attitude of these disciples as they went out. The use they had made of the opportunities which Christ offered be and to do. Peter went out to miserably fail, Thomas to doubt, the other disciples to flee, and Judas to betray his Lord. Judas was the only one who was unable to get back to Christ, and his failure was due to the sin that robbed him of his faith. He repented, but his faith was gone and he was hopeless. The other disciples were established later in an unshaking confidence in God by the Pentecostal experience in the upper room."

## KAMPA SNOOZE

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of the court to the other, he would sneak the ball from the pigmies, rush down the floor, and though aiming at the basket, would proceed to toss through out of bounds. "For" said "Billie" after the conflict. "I didn't think it was right to take advantage of those little fellers."

## Evangelical Student

## THE BIBLE

Gladstone once said, "I have known ninety-five great men of the world in my time, and of these, eighty-seven were all followers of the Bible." We would also add to this the statement from Dr. William Lyon Phelps of Yale University, who says, "I believe a knowledge of the Bible without a college course is more valuable than a college course without a knowledge of the Bible." *The Wesleyan Methodist*

The Chinese biscuit manufacturer of Hong Kong, who sends out his product to every part of China and the Netherlands Indies, enclosing in each package the words, "Jesus said. I am the 'Bread of Life' in four languages, showed Dr. Temple of the Bible Society of letters received asking for more information about this same Jesus.

## CHRISTIAN FAITH AND LIFE

Observers notice an intensive turning of the people in Russia towards religion. There have been many cases where factory workers have voluntarily collected money for a new church building. Many of these workers were imprisoned as a result. In the industrial districts new churches have been built, some of the actual participants being communists and atheists. There are hundreds of communists, now bitterly disappointed with the communistic program who are turning to the church.

## EUROPEAN HARVEST FIELD

President Faunce, of Brown, said "Here is this book," and he held up his Bible, and went on to give a little bit of the statistics concerning the age of the documents in the book; and then said, "Here is the wonder of it: Not one of you would think of looking in a book of medicine which was published fifty years ago; not one of you would think of using a compendium of science fifty years old; not one of you would think of taking as authoritative the statements in a book of psychology that was even twenty years old. Mr. Well's *Outline of History* had to be revised even before it was published. Here is a book which remains the standard guide of the world after all these centuries."

## BIBLE SOCIETY RECORD

How quickly the glory of this world fades away. But look at the despised and hated Hebrew prophet Daniel. They wanted to put him into the den of lions because he was too sanctimonious and too religious. Yet today his name is loved and honored for his faithfulness to God!

—Moody Monthly

## GOSSIP

The Greeks could find no words of greater wisdom to inscribe on the Temple of Delphi than "Know Thyself." We really know less of ourselves than we know of our neighbors, competitors, friends, acquaintances, relatives, or enemies. Try it out some time. "Wad some power the giftie gie us to see oursel's as others see us."

—Expositor and Homiletic Review

## VERSE FOR THE WEEK

"For none of us liveth to himself and no man dieth to himself. For whether we live, we live unto the Lord; and whether we die, we die unto the Lord: whether we live therefore, or die, we are the Lord's."

Romans 14:7, 8

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# VOLLEYBALL SEASON BEGINS; SENIORS, SOPHS WIN GAMES

## Frosh, Juniors Outclassed As Foes Win Two Out of Three

The second annual volley ball campaign was inaugurated last Friday afternoon and evening with a brace of double-headers.

In the matinee melee the sophomore lassies pounded out a decisive win over their inexperienced freshman adversaries. Although the match went the limit of three games, the victors' superiority was obvious. The tilt offered good early-season volley ball. Payne, Nickerson, and Higgins were strong factors in the soph's victory, while Gerry Paine stood out for the vanquished.

The initial evening combat between the feminine junior and senior sextets proved to be dull and slow, with the seniors emerging victorious. It was painfully evident that neither team had practiced. Both cooperation and co-ordination were conspicuously lacking. The juniors grabbed the first game, capitalizing on the serving process of Millie Shaffer. But they slumped badly and succumbed in the final fray. Betty Stone's hard shot featured the winner's attack.

The sophomore stalwarts soundly shellacked the yearling yeomen in the second match. Both sides were replete with thrills. The showing of the "Murphymen" stamp them as leading contenders for the medals. 'High Harlan' Tuthill, Fillmore flash turned in a smooth performance.

In the finale, the senior sages gave the hapless juniors a trouncing 16-14. With Luckey and Schogoleff on the forward wall, the seniors have a potential championship sextet.

## High School Party Held February 15

The High School student body enjoyed an informal party in the Recreation Hall the afternoon of Monday, February 15th, there being no classes because of the teachers meeting.

All had an enjoyable time playing games under the capable leadership of Honor Roberts. Among the games played, were a rabbit race won by the boys, and a guessing game involving charades and birthdays. Dean Sellman and David Paine, a "foxes", successfully eluded the panting, perspiring hounds, even after leaving a trail of puffed rice and peanuts.

The feature event of the afternoon was the string-devouring act between Kathryn Jones and "Joe" Randall in which Joe succeeded in reaching the candy that was tied in the middle of the string.

The concluding feature on the program was hot-dogs, mustard and ginger ale. Marshmallows were after roasted in the fire-place.

## DRANE SISTERS

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gram, the violinists played several numbers which were climaxed by the intricate "Perpetual Motion" by Ries. Their precision and unique manner of interpretation were particularly outstanding and brought rounds of applause. In the final composition, "On Wings of Song", the sixteen-year-old harpist, despite the fact that she had not yet become familiar with the instrument, displayed her superior musicianship.

Vance Carlson returned to his home in Port Allegheny, Pa. Feb. 18, because of his mother's critical illness.

## LEMOYNE DEBATE

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land to continue his studies before coming to the United States only twelve years ago. A Ph. D. degree was granted him from Shurtleff College, Alton, Illinois. During the academic year of 1934-35 he completed his residence requirement for a Ph. D. degree from Harvard University. It was Professor Alexander who introduced inter-racial debating south of the Mason-Dixon line.

Doctor Stephen W. Paine, Dean of Houghton College and head of the Greek department, is the advising coach of the Houghton defenders.

In the past, the Le Moyne College debating teams have led the nation in the extent of their trips; this year, scheduling a larger list of opponents than ever before undertaken on a single trip, the Le Moyne debating team will carry to the nation a proof of the cultural development of the Southern Negro.

Not the least impressive in the list of its accomplishments is Le Moyne's debate program. According to the Forensic-Pi Kappa Delta's official magazine, Le Moyne College deserves the credit for beginning inter-racial debating in the south in February 1931. Since that time Le Moyne debaters have met scores of college and university teams in the Far West, Middle West, and South.

On February 9, 1937 the Le Moyne varsity began a trip through the eastern states with more than thirty debates scheduled before March 16. Previous to this evening's appearance on the Houghton rostrum, the visiting team will have participated in twelve university and college debates including the University of Buffalo, Western Reserve University, University of Akron, Baldwin Wallace College, and Canisius College.

The four men expected to arrive in Houghton today with Coach Alexander are: Mr. Charles Gilton, '37, Mr. James Byas, '37, Mr. John H. Jones, '40, and Mr. Thomas Knight '40. The last two named joined the group at Washington, Pa., on February 18.

The three men who will defend for Houghton are Queen, E. Elliott, and Willett. Houghton will have the affirmative in this first fray of the debate season.

Judges for the contest have been secured by Varsity Manager Hurd. Two lawyers and a former college debate coach will make up the personnel. The debate is scheduled for this evening.

## Student Pastor Beginning Evening Church Services

Tuscarora Presbyterian Church, of which Melvin Morris is pastor, has inaugurated Sunday evening services as a part of its weekly church program.

During the month of February these services have included special speakers. On February 7, Park Tucker preached, and on February 14, Roy Albany and on Sunday, February 21, Willis Elliott spoke on "The Second Coming of Christ". In the fourth service next Sunday, Rev. Robert Fern will present facts concerning "The Rebuilding of the Roman Empire."

According to the pastor, the meetings have been well attended and several have been led to the Lord. He

## TEACHERS' MEET

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tributed some excellent material gleaned from her experience in New York State schools. After this discussion, Dr. Ward C. Bowen, son of Mrs. P. S. Bowen and Director of the Division of Visual Instruction of the State Education Department spoke on the subject, "Selection and Use of Visual Equipment in Public Schools."

The conference adjourned at 12:30 p.m. for lunch in the dining room of Gaoyadeo Hall. And at 2:00 the afternoon session opened with a "question box" conducted by Mr. G. R. Davis.

The main feature of the conference was an address in the afternoon by Dr. Bowen on "Making the Most of Your Natural Resources". The speaker congratulated the superintendent and teachers on the choice of their theme for the meeting, "Education in a New Era", and then launched himself into a speech which showed a remarkable adaptation to the interests of the group before him and a comprehension of the potentialities of Allegany County accessible to rural and village school teachers. Dr. Bowen recalled that, although in his own childhood he had for a few years attended a rural school, his teachers had never taken their classes on school journeys or excursions in the surrounding countryside to teach them the simple fundamentals of natural history which would have aided them in the appreciation of flowers, mosses, birds, small woods animals, clouds and sunsets. His own early knowledge of nature had been gained from his parents and books.

It is totally unnecessary, the speaker pointed out, to buy expensive atlases, diagrams and charts, to teach simple geographical and physiographical terms such as delta and alluvial fan when numerous examples of them may be found in our own districts. Specimens of such subjects of study as soil erosion may be discovered easily in their natural setting and their characteristics may be analyzed.

In this vicinity teachers often take their students to Letchworth Park for picnics, but are usually too occupied with the lunch and safety of the children to call their attention to the simple principles underlying the formation of the gorge, or to encourage their pupils in a study of Indian lore inspired by the story of Mary Jemison and the sight of the Indian Council house. Such a study would offer to both advanced and retarded pupils innumerable possibilities and rewards.

Teachers could give their pupils a comprehension of the basic elements of trade by discussions in connection with local mills and industries. The child who estimates how much money his father receives for each pint of milk he sells, and then finds out how much the children in the city must pay for a pint of milk to drink, is ready to study with understanding the advantages and disadvantages of the profits of the middleman.

The address furnished to the teachers of this district an inevitable incentive to utilize the riches of their own local resources in the teaching of their pupils.

## BOARD MEETING

Those from here who attended the executive board meeting of the Wesleyan church, held in Syracuse last week were: Dr. Stephen Paine, Prof. H. L. Fancher, and the Misses Frieda and Mildred Gillette.

Urges all who can, to attend these meetings and receive the spiritual blessing awaiting them.

## Schlafer, Elliott Sellman Star in Saturday Game

To supply some athletic interest to a week unusually devoid of sport activity, the Bedford Gym presented a double basketball bill featuring the Wee-Five vs. Russell House and the Hayseeds vs. the Downtowners. The diminutive cagers won a moral victory, but lost the game 24 to 15 while in the concluding fray the Hayseeds were downed by the Downtowners by a 43 to 38 score.

In the initial encounter, the tiny five attempted a spirited and skillful offense but were brushed aside by the brawny roomers of the Russell House. Several times the pee-wee team started what seemed to be a brilliant play but failed because one of the little cogs had faltered or else some big monkey wrench had jammed the machinery. They did well, however, to score 15 points against their older opponents. The big guns for the Russell bombardment were "Jesse" Elliott and "John" Schlafer scoring 19 points between them. The humor question mark, Warren Woolsey nonchalantly tossed in four counter for the losers.

The way in which the main clash of the afternoon started seemed to promise a good exhibition of basketball. In the first period both five played heads-up ball, the score being very close. After the intermission however, the boys decided to cur loose all formalities and played gas house fashion with no holds barred. As a result, more than half of the playing time in the last period was taken up in shooting fouls. The remainder of the time was spent in committing them. Finally the fellow from the downtown section, led by Dean Sellman, drew away from the seedy five to win by a score of 43 to 38.

## Thomas Given Contract With S. D. Institution

Wesley Thomas recently received a communication from the president of Wessington Springs College, South Dakota, informing him of his appointment to a teaching position in that school. The college, supported by the Free Methodist Church, maintains standards quite similar to those of Houghton, both scholastically and morally, and the registrations of the two schools are fairly comparable.

During his first year, Wesley will instruct one course each in history and sociology and two in German. In addition to his teaching, he will serve as proctor of the men's dormitory and as an official on the Student Employment Board. Mr. Thomas is the first member of the senior class to receive a teaching contract.

After graduation in June, he plans to enroll in the University of South Dakota for the summer session in order to begin work immediately on a master's degree.

## BOULDER CHAPEL

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Boulder is out, and a mob scene about the sales counter is re-enacted. Shins are kicked and shins are all but broken, but when all has quieted down the fortunate one to get the first issue, Mr. McKinney, speak a few words over the air, with a moral attached to them, "If you want a Boulder this year get your order in early."



## Sport Shots

Walt Schogoleff

At the present time, the sports spotlight is focusing its rays upon basketball, the interclass volley ball series being next in line. The two cage encounters of next week will bring to a close one of Houghton's most successful basketball seasons. The yearlings will face the varsity on Wednesday night, Feb. 24, and the annual varsity-alumni classic will occur on Saturday night, Feb. 27. For the seniors on the varsity, these games will be outstanding, for they will end their college undergraduate basketball competition.

In the last meeting of the Forensic Union, Jack Crandall was sports commentator of the newspaper program. In his inimitable fashion he gave previews of the forthcoming basketball tilts. His presentation illustrated the psychology of transfer of training. For he carried over the technique of his famous twisting kangaroo shot into some tongue-twisting alliteration such as yearling yeomen, scintillating stars, valiant vigilant "Vic", bellicose Bliss blond blizzard, and the like.

Generally, the Saturday afternoon athletic programs in the gym are fairly interesting. The "goins-on" of last Saturday, however, provided as varied and enjoyable a program as that of a three-ring circus. In the game featuring the Wee-Five quintet, human interest, pathos, and comedy were rampant. There was poker-faced Woolsey nonchalantly splitting the drapes as if he had been doing it all his life, and "Snowball" McKinney displaying the old do or die spirit. To top the whole affair, the antics of "Dizzy" Densmore made the spectators think of the backward trend of the evolution theory.

In the next shindig, the Hayseeds took down their hair and went to town in a rootin', tootin' ruckus. The physical contact and action of the ground athletic arena. It seems that the referee of the afternoon used a revised edition of the rules, for the following fouls were called: on Leonard, kicking in the shins and butting with the rump; on Simons, armlock and full Nelson; on Dunckel and Eyer, chicken fight; on Taylor, piling up; on Mix, muttering under his breath.

## MOODY CENTENNARY

Six theologs from Houghton traveled to Buffalo on Monday, February 15, to attend the meeting of the Moody Centennary held in the Prospect Avenue Baptist Church. They were: Robert Fern, Park Tucker, William Grosvenor, William Muir, Leland Webster, and Winton Halsted.

Dr. Will Evans, one of the foremost Bible teachers of the country spoke at the afternoon meeting. He gave his audience the chance to pick the book they wanted to hear him lecture on. The book of Ephesians was chosen, and Dr. Evans lectured upon that book for an hour, quoting freely from the Greek and the English translation, without opening his Bible.

Capt. Reginald Wallis, British officer and Secretary of the YMCA preached on Faith in the evening service. His sermon contained the same qualities as are found in his numerous books on the Christian life.